

PATENT

Docket No.: JCLA16962

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of : AKITOSHI FUKAI et al.  
International Application No. : PCT/JP2004/000083  
International Filing Date : January 08, 2004  
Filed on : HEREWITH  
For : SEALING VALVE FOR MEDICAL APPARATUS,  
CONNECTION PORT, MIXTURE INJECTION TUBE,  
CONNECTION TOOL FOR INFUSION CIRCUIT, AND  
CONNECTION SYSTEM FOR INFUSION CIRCUIT  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner For Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: